Amendments to the Claims

Claim 1 (Previously presented): A method for identifying a plurality of events which are played back simultaneously on a plurality of networked client apparatuses, comprising the steps of:

- (a) providing a plurality of events stored in memory on a plurality of client apparatuses, the events each having a unique identifier associated therewith and stored in the memory, wherein the client apparatuses are adapted to be coupled to a host computer via a network;
- (b) ascertaining the identifier of the event stored in the memory of the client apparatuses utilizing the network;
- (c) comparing the identifier with an identifier of a scheduled event; and
- (d) beginning the playback of the event simultaneously on each of the client apparatuses if the comparison renders a match.

Claim 2 (Original): A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the event includes a video and audio presentation.

Claim 3 (Original): A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the event includes at least one of a movie, a concert, and a theatrical event.

Claim 4 (Original): A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the network is a wide area network.

Claim 5 (Original): A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the memory includes a digital ${\bf v}$ ideo disc (DVD).

Claim 6 (Previously presented): A computer program embodied on a computer readable medium for identifying a plurality of events which are played back simultaneously on a plurality of networked client apparatuses, comprising:

- (a) a code segment for providing a plurality of events stored in memory on a plurality of client apparatuses, the events each having a unique identifier associated therewith and stored in the memory, wherein the client apparatuses are adapted to be coupled to a host computer via a network;
- (b) a code segment for ascertaining the identifier of the event stored in the memory of the client apparatuses utilizing the network;
- (c) a code segment for comparing the identifier with an identifier of a scheduled event; and
- (d) a code segment for beginning the playback of the event simultaneously on each of the client apparatuses if the comparison renders a match.

Claim 7 (Original): A computer program as recited in claim 6, wherein the event includes a video and audio presentation.

Claim 8 (Original): A computer program as recited in claim 6, wherein the event includes at least one of a movie, a concert, and a theatrical event.

Claim 9 (Original): A computer program as recited in claim 6, wherein the network is a wide area network.

Claim 10 (Original): A computer program as recited in claim 6, wherein the memory includes a digital video disc (DVD).

Claim 11 (Previously presented): A system for identifying a plurality of events which are played back simultaneously on a plurality of networked client apparatuses, comprising:

- (a) logic for providing a plurality of events stored in memory on a plurality of client apparatuses, the events each having a unique identifier associated therewith and stored in the memory, wherein the client apparatuses are adapted to be coupled to a host computer via a network;
- (b) logic for ascertaining the identifier of the event stored in the memory of the client apparatuses utilizing the network;
- (c) logic for comparing the identifier with an identifier of a scheduled event; and
- (d) logic for beginning the playback of the event simultaneously on each of the client apparatuses if the comparison renders a match.

Claim 12 (Original): A system as recited in claim 11, wherein the event includes a video and audio presentation.

Claim 13 (Original): A system as recited in claim 11, wherein the event includes at least one of a movie, a concert, and a theatrical event.

Claim 14 (Original): A system as recited in claim 11, wherein the network is a wide area network.

Claim 15 (Original): A system as recited in claim 11, wherein the memory includes a digital video disc (DVD).